(in million square metres

Year	Target	Achievement
1990-91 . .	600	477.15
1991-92 . .	450	402.69
1992-93 . .	450	330.00(Estimated)

(f) The consumer price of janata cloth varies from sort to sort and from State to State. The revision in consumer prices are administered by the concerned State Governments on the basis of increase in prices of yarn and wages to weavers. Government do not, therefor, maintain the Index Number of prices of janata cloth.

Sale of surplus land

1035. DR. SANJAYA SINH: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to sell surplus land in consultation with the State Governments to raise funds for modernisation of NTC mills; and

(b) if so, what are details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF THE MINISTRY OF STATE FOR TEXTILES (SHRI G. VENKAT SWAMY): (a) and (b) NTC proposes to sell its surplus land to raise resources for modernisation of its mills etc, in accordance with prescribed procedures.

Modernisation of NTC Mills on priority basis

1036. DR. SANJAYA SINH: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to take up the Modernisation of NTC Mills on a priority basis; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI G. VENKAT SWAMY): (a) and (b) Government have approved a Turn Around Strategy for NTC involving, inter-alia, selective modernisation at an investment of about Rs. 533 crores to induct appropriate production technology to improve present levels of utilisation and productivity, maximise contribution levels on existing product mix and increase production of high value products.

Export of cotton yarn

1037. SHRIMATI KAMLA SINHA: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the export of cotton yarn is likely to cross 10 per cent of its total projected production during this year;

(b) if so, what is the per capita consumption of cotton yarn in the country and whether the country has achieved self-sufficiency in textiles; and

(c) if not, what are the reasons for exporting large quantities of cotton yarn at the cost of the domestic consumer?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI G. VENKAT SWAMY): (a) to (c) Government is adopting a restrictive approach in the matter of export of cotton yarn by fixing annual ceiling for export of cotton yarn from year to year. Cotton yarn exports during 1993-94 are not likely to exceed 10 per cent of the projected production of 1600 million kgs. Therefore, it would not be correct to state that large quantities of cotton yarn are exported at the cost of domestic consumers.

Weeding of bogus weavers cooperative societies

1038. SHRI MENTAY PADMANABHAM: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have set up a panel to weed out bogus weavers cooperative societies;

(b) what is the number of registered weavers cooperative societies all over the country, State-wise;

(c) what is the time frame set up by Government to identify bogus weavers cooperative societies; and

(d) what are the benefits being given to weaver cooperative societies presently by the Central Government?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI G. VENKAT SWAMY): (a) No, Sir. Government of India has not set up any such panel.

(b) A Statement is attached (See below).

(c) Does not arise.

(d) Weavers cooperative Societies are eligible under most of the schemes sponsored by Government of India including Market Development Assistance; Scheme for Margin Money for Destitute Weavrs; Workshed-cum-Housng Scheme; Thrift Fund Scheme; etc.

Statement

Sl. No.	Name of the State	No. of Primary Weavers Cooperative Societies
1.	Andhra Pradesh	598
2.	Assam	1643
3.	Bihar	1385
4.	Gujarat	1298
5.	Haryana	440
6.	Himachal Pradesh	148
7.	Jammu & Kashmir	223
8.	Karnataka	278
9.	Kerala	602
10.	Madhya Pradesh	504
11.	Maharashtra	842
12.	Manipur	1056
13.	Orissa	756
14.	Punjab	1127
15.	Rajasthan	636
16.	Tamil Nadu	1505
17.	Tripura	69
18.	Uttar Pradesh	4323
19.	West Bengal	1388
20.	Meghalaya	28
21.	Pondicherry	14
22.	Mizoram	41
23.	Delhi	449
24.	Nagaland	74
	TOTAL	19,427

Modernisation of cotton ginning and pressing industry

1039. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI:
SHRI IQBAL SINGH:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have finalised any action plan for modernisation of cotton ginning and pressing industry to improve the quality of fibre;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof;

(c) by when the action plan is likely to be implemented; and

(d) what is the extent upto which it will be helpful to the cotton industry?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI G. VENKAT SWAMY): (a) to (d) The Government has drawn up an Action Plan for the improvement in ginning and pressing industry. A long term programme of education, training of management practices, preparation of maintenance manuals is to be taken up in